

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 385

By Stevens

A RESOLUTION to honor Dan Black upon his induction into the TSSAA Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those citizens who, through their unwavering dedication and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves as leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Dan Black is one such estimable person, who has been selected for induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Hall of Fame as a member of the 2015 class; and

WHEREAS, an administrator and coach for over forty years in West Tennessee, Dan Black was a boys' basketball coach for sixteen years at Maury City, Ripley, and Crockett County high schools. He also coached baseball and golf during his career and was named the District Coach of the Year numerous times for baseball and basketball; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black worked as an athletic director for nearly thirty years and was a principal for fourteen years before accepting the position of superintendent of the Bradford Special Schools District in 2007; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Black was the TSSAA Principal of the Year in his district in 2005 and School System Administrator of the Year in 2011. He has served on the TSSAA Legislative Council since 2000, serving as vice president for four years before becoming president in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Black is greatly respected among his colleagues and is highly regarded as a leader in his community; and

WHEREAS, Dan Black is perhaps most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his children, Brandi, Jenna, and Jessie, and his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Dan Black exemplifies the selfless civic leader who is admired by fellow Tennesseans for his tireless efforts in molding this State's youth; his positive impact on the lives of students, athletes, coaches, and administrators will continue to resound in Tennessee for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to recognize this outstanding gentleman for his lifetime of achievements that have so deservedly earned him a place in the TSSAA Hall of Fame; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby join with the family, friends, and colleagues of Dan Black in congratulating him upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame, honor and commend Mr. Black for his substantial legacy as a coach and administrator, and offer our sincere thanks for his dedication to the State of Tennessee and its athletic programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.